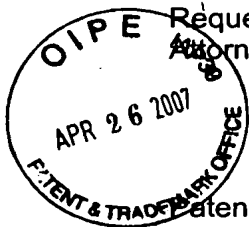


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Inventor : William A. GROLL  
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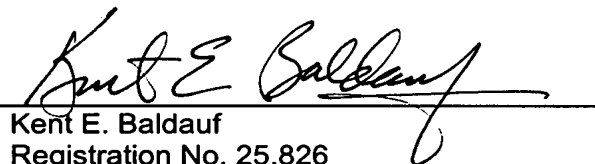
In accordance with 35 U.S.C. §254, we attach hereto Form PTO/SB/44 and a copy of proof of PTO's error and request that a Certificate of Correction be issued in the above-identified patent. The following error appears in the patent as printed:

Column 4, Line 23, Claim 1, "an A<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> coating" should read -- an Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> coating --  
(See the Amendment After Final dated 09/07/2006, page 2, Claim 1, Line 10.)

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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 4, Line 23, Claim 1, "an A<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> coating" should read -- an Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> coating --

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action of June 8, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.

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**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Previously Amended) A method of manufacturing cookware comprising the steps of:

5 (a) providing a bonded composite sheet of material having at least one layer of an aluminum, aluminum alloy or Alclad aluminum material bonded between layers of stainless steel;

(b) forming a cookware vessel of a desired configuration having said aluminum, aluminum alloy or Alclad aluminum exposed at least at an edge portion of said formed cookware vessel; and

10 (c) treating at least said exposed edge of aluminum, aluminum alloy or Alclad aluminum by a micro arc oxidation process to form an  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  coating on at least said exposed edge of aluminum, aluminum alloy or Alclad aluminum whereby chemical corrosion/erosion of said exposed edge by caustic cleaning agents is prevented.

2. (Currently Amended) Cookware made according to the method of claim 1, comprising:

a bonded composite sheet of material having at least one layer of an aluminum, aluminum alloy or Alclad aluminum material bonded between layers of stainless steel, formed in the shape of a cookware vessel of a desired configuration having said aluminum, aluminum alloy or Alclad aluminum extending to at least at an edge portion around an outer perimeter of said cookware vessel, wherein said edge of aluminum, aluminum alloy or Alclad aluminum is covered by an  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  coating applied by micro arc oxidation, whereby chemical corrosion/erosion of said edge by caustic cleaning agents is prevented.